AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A ~~Microemulsion~~microemulsion composition, ~~essentially~~ comprising

matalaxyl-M as active ingredient; ~~and~~

emulsifier which essentially comprises polyoxyalkylene tristyrylphenyl ether, and further ~~comprising~~comprises one or more ~~emulsifier~~ selected from the group consisting of calcium salt of alkylbenzene sulfonic acid and sodium salt of dialkyl succinic acid;

one or more aqueous solvents selected from the group consisting of lower alcohol, glycol, glycol ether, lactone, pyrrolidone, amine and amide; and

water.

2. (Original) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the polyoxyalkylene tristyrylphenyl ether is polyoxyethylene tristyrylphenyl ether or polyoxyethylene/polyoxypropylene tristyrylphenyl ether, wherein the average added mole number of ethyleneoxide is 10 to 40 moles in case of the polyoxyethylene tristyrylphenyl ether, and wherein the average added mole number of ethyleneoxide is 15 to 40 moles and the average added mole number of propyleneoxide is 1 to 10 moles, in case of polyoxyethylene/polyoxypropylene tristyrylphenyl ether.

3. (Original) The composition according to claim 2, wherein the average added mole number of ethyleneoxide is 15 to 30 moles in case of the polyoxyethylene tristyrylphenyl ether, and wherein the average added mole number of ethyleneoxide is 15 to 35 moles and the average added mole number of propyleneoxide is 1 to 5 moles, in case of polyoxyethylene/polyoxpropylene tristyrylphenyl ether.

4. (Original) The composition according to claim 3, wherein the average added mole number of ethyleneoxide is 17 to 30 moles in case of the polyoxyethylene tristyrylphenyl ether, and wherein the average added mole number of ethyleneoxide is 20 to 30 moles and the average

added mole number of propyleneoxide is 1 to 3 moles, in case of polyoxyethylene/polypropylene tristyrylphenyl ether.

5. (Original) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the calcium salt of alkylbenzene sulfonic acid is calcium salt of dodecylbenzene sulfonic acid.

6. (Original) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the sodium salt of dialkyl succinic acid is sodium salt of di(2-ethylhexyl) succinic acid.

7. (Original) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the emulsifier is a mixture of polyoxyalkylene tristyrylphenyl ether and calcium salt of dodecylbenzene sulfonic acid.

8. (Original) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the emulsifier is a mixture of polyoxyalkylene tristyrylphenyl ether and sodium salt of di(2-ethylhexyl) succinic acid.

9. (Original) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the aqueous solvent is one or more selected from the group consisting of propyleneglycol, ethyleneglycol, diethyleneglycol, dipropyleneglycol, tripropyleneglycol, methanol, ethanol, isopropanol, normal propanol, tetrahydropefuryl alcohol, N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone, γ-butyl lactone, propyleneglycol monomethylether, diethyleneglycol monobutyl ether, dipropyleneglycol monomethylether, triethyleneglycol monobutylether, triethanol, amine, N,N-dimethylformamide, and N,N-dimethylacetamide.

10. (Original) The composition according to claim 9, wherein the aqueous solvent is one or more selected from the group consisting of propyleneglycol, ethanol, isopropanol, and normal propanol.

11. (Original) The composition according to claim 10, wherein the aqueous solvent is propyleneglycol.

12. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim I, wherein the ~~ratio~~content of metalaxyl-M is 10 to 70 weight %.

13. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 12, wherein the ~~ratio~~content of metalaxyl-M is 20 to 60 weight %.

14. (Currently Amended) The composition according in claim 13, wherein the ~~ratio~~content of metalaxyl-M is 40 to 60 weight %.

15. (Currently Amended) The composition according in claim 1, wherein the ~~ratio~~content of aqueous solvent is 5 to 50 weight %.

16. (Currently Amended) The composition according claim 15, wherein the ~~ratio~~content of aqueous solvent is 10 to 30 weight %.

17. (Currently Amended) The composition according is claim 16, wherein the ~~ratio~~content of aqueous solvent is 10 to 20 weight %.

18. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the ~~ratio~~content of emulsifier is 5 to 50 weight %.

19. (Currently Amended) The composition according in claim 18, wherein the ~~ratio~~content of emulsifier is 10 to 30 weight %.

20. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 19, wherein the ~~ratio~~content of emulsifier is 10 to 20 weight %.

21. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the ~~ratio~~content of water is 5 to 50 weight %.

22. (Currently Amended) The composition according claim 21, wherein the ~~ratio~~content of water is 20 to 40 weight %.

23. (Original) The composition according to claim 1, further comprising 0 to 0.2 weight % of aqueous pigment.

24. (Currently Amended) A ~~Microemulsion~~microemulsion composition obtained by diluting the composition according to claim 1 with water.

25. (Currently Amended) A ~~Method~~method for controlling plant disease, characterized in that the ~~fungicidal~~ composition according to claim 1 is applied to plant or habitat of pathogenic bacteriun by diluting the composition with water in the biologically effective level.

26. (New) The composition according to claim 1, wherein said emulsifier consists of polyoxyalkylene tristyrylphenyl ether and one or more of calcium salt of alkylbenzene sulfonic acid and sodium salt of dialkyl succinic acid.